

Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 8 p.m.
Dr. Bobbie Bailey & Family Performance Center
Morgan Hall
Eighty-third Concert of the 2015-16 Concert Season



Spring
Faculty Recital
featuring

Robert Henry,
piano

program

DOMENICO SCARLATTI (1685-1759)

Sonata in A Major, K. 114

Sonata in E minor, K. 147

Sonata in D minor, K. 9

Sonata in D Major, K. 119

FRÉDÉRIC CHOPIN (1810-1849)

Polonaise in C-sharp minor, Op. 26, No. 1

CARL VINE (b. 1954)

Sonata, No. 1 (1990)

1. (untitled)
2. Leggiero e legato

Intermission

JOHN CAGE (1912-1992)

4'33" (1952)

1. 30"
2. 2'33"
3. 1'40"

JOHANNES BRAHMS (1833-1897)

**25 Variations and Fugue on a Theme by
Handel, Op. 24**

about the artist



“Robert Henry’s lyricism hits the mark. Cogent shaping, dynamism, and power...inner voices decisively sing and project in his Chopin...bass lines reinforce this music’s often ignored backbone...rapturous and texturally refined playing...absolutely enchanting.”

GRAMOPHONE Magazine
(Feb. 2011)

Robert Henry, hailed as a “consummate artist -- brilliant, formidable, effortless, and the epitome of control and poise,” is an internationally distinguished pianist, winning universal acclaim as orchestral soloist, recitalist, accompanist, and chamber musician.

Career highlights include 2002 solo debut recitals at Carnegie Hall, the Kennedy Center, and Wigmore Hall, with critics praising his “flawless technique, smooth and limpid phrasing, exciting programming.” He has presented concert tours of the U.S., England, Nova Scotia, Russia, Italy, Czech-Republic, and Poland. A renowned collaborator and chamber musician, he has appeared with such notable conductors as Robert Spano, Donald Runnicles, Michael Palmer, and Stefan Sanderling. He has presented recitals with the Pacifica Quartet, cellist Shauna Rolston, soprano Mary Ann Hart, and tenor Sergio Blasquez. In response to Hurricane Katrina, he coordinated and performed in the 2006 “Pianists for New Orleans” tour of the United States, raising over \$100,000.

Mr. Henry has enjoyed phenomenal success competitively, ultimately winning the Gold Medal in four International Piano Competitions. On three occasions, juries have spontaneously created special prizes to honor his performances, including “Best Performance of a 20th-Century Work” and “Best Performance of a Commissioned Work.”

In 2010, Mr. Henry released his debut CD, *Twelve Nocturnes and a Waltz*. The recording is a collection of some of the world's best-loved melodies, including the world premiere of Alexei Stanchinsky's forgotten Nocturne from 1907. Mr. Henry was also winner of two 2010 Telly Awards for the documentary about his recording experience. He is regularly heard on NPR's *Atlanta Music Scene* and *Performance Today*.

In recent news, Mr. Henry has just released the world premiere recording of Brahms' recently discovered "Albumblatt," available now on iTunes as a single. This track will also be included in the album, *As the Songbird Sings: Music of Schubert and Brahms*, to be released in 2015. Earlier this year, Mr. Henry was joined by violinist Helen Kim in a world premiere recording of *Romance and Dance* by Chen Yi for Centaur Records. Also, Mr. Henry arranged and performed Faure's *Pie Jesu* for the Atlanta Boy Choir for the upcoming film, *Captain America 3* (2016).

Mr. Henry earned the Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Maryland, with additional studies at the Cleveland Institute of Music and the Glinka Conservatory in St. Petersburg, Russia. As an educator and pedagogue, Robert Henry presents lectures, masterclasses, residencies, youth concerts, and has been featured in *American Music Teacher*, *Gramophone*, and *Clavier*. He has served as recitalist, clinician, and juror for state, regional, and national MTNA conventions and competitions. Presently, he is Artistic Director of the Great Performances Concert Series in Highlands, NC, Assistant Director of the Atlanta Boy Choir, Organist-Choirmaster of the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation in Highlands, NC, and he proudly serves as Artist-in-Residence at Kennesaw State University in Atlanta, GA. He is also a founding member of the Summit Piano Trio. An International Steinway Artist, he maintains his web-presence at www.roberthenry.org.

Mr. Henry is represented by Parker Artists, New York.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen W. Plate".


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